

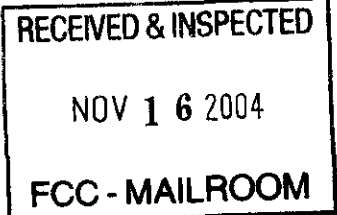
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Applicant: Dodge City Unified School District 443

Billed Entity Number: 138148

Form 471 Application Number: 403217

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RE: This is a follow-up letter to an appeal filed in October 2004.

I very confused at this point. Our school was denied funding because our electronic submission of a 470 form was not considered certified – in other words the last page of the submission page (without signature) was not mailed to Schools and Libraries. Today, I just completed our schools 470 form and submitted the form electronically exactly the same way I did last year – surprise the submitted 470 form for next year shows certified! Why does the electronic submission count for 2005-2006 when the same electronic submission did not count for 2004-2005 (using the same user ID and Pin number)?

Another interesting fact is this; I can look up our school district's 470 form from last year and it shows it was completed. Vendors can look up our 470 form from last year and see the same completed form. How does this restrict competitive bidding? Besides this is southwest Kansas – we don't have a lot of completion out here for telephone service!

Is this something that needs to be brought to the attention of our Kansas Senators and Representatives?

This is purely an error in processing a signal sheet of paper which will cost this school district 10s of thousands of dollars. I believe this to be an excessive punitive decision by Schools and Libraries.

Please do the right thing and restore our E-Rate funding for 2004.

Regards,

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Thomas Waldron

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